

# The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

*An Inclusive Church Family Loving, Sharing, and Serving Christ*

## CHILDREN:

**Sleepers & Creepers** (Baby nursery)  
**Explorer Nursery** (18 mos—3 years)  
**Preschool** (3-5 yrs)

Rm 309  
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## FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY

Find 4 & 5 year-olds in Rm 307

# Summer Schedule

## THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3

(No Sunday School in August)

11:00am Worship

The children and tweens 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> will meet August 27<sup>th</sup> for a mini-mission activity at 9:45 am in room 105.



The Early Learning Program of WCPC currently has openings for Fall 2017 in our three year old classes and 5 year old Transition class. If you are interested or you know of anyone looking for a preschool please feel free to contact our office at 281/298-2464.

## WCPC'S KICKOFF SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 10

The Fellowship Hall will open at 9:30 am with displays and information about ministry and service in the fall and beyond. Discover what new adult classes will be offered during the Sunday School hour. Sign up for Dinners for Eight. Learn about what our children, tween and youth activities will be in the coming months and maybe, volunteer to help. This is just a sample of what you will discover and hopefully you will find something or several somethings that will encourage you in your discipleship and encourage others in theirs. At noon our Boy Scout Troop will be providing a hamburger and hot dog lunch. And back again for another engagement is the Cho-Yeh Rock Wall and also Kona Ice. Save the date! **AND IF YOU ARE PART OF ANY MINISTRY OR MISSION IN THE LIFE OF WCPC AND WANT TO HAVE A TABLE RESERVED FOR YOU PLEASE LET SHIRLEY BARCLAY KNOW SO WE CAN HAVE ONE SET UP FOR YOU.** Her email address is [sbarclay@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:sbarclay@wcpc-tx.org) or call the church office at 281-363-2040.



## Welcome Guests!

- New members are regularly received by the Session. If interested, contact one of our pastors.
- Stop by the Welcome Table in the Narthex of the Sanctuary for information about the ongoing work, worship and fellowship of this congregation and how you can get involved!
- For more information speak with one of our staff or elders or go to [www.wcpc-tx.org](http://www.wcpc-tx.org).
- We offer throughout the year "Welcome to WCPC" classes. These classes provide an opportunity to meet staff and members of WCPC and to learn about our ministries and missions. Childcare is always available. For more information you can email our pastor at [djones@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:djones@wcpc-tx.org).



## Youth Beach Retreat August 25-27

Don't miss the fun, sun, sand and fellowship! Retreat goes will leave Friday, August 25 at 5pm and return to WCPC before noon on Sunday, August 27. Saturday morning volunteer for

a mission project and Saturday evening enjoy yourself at Fun Spot Waterslide! The cost is \$65 and this includes everything...transportation, lodging, food, Fun Spot Waterslide...all included! To sign up contact Shirley Barclay at [sbarclay@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:sbarclay@wcpc-tx.org). Limited Space available!!

## "UNITY IN DIVERSITY:

## CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RACISM"

September 11, 18, 25 & October 2, 9

7:00pm-8:00pm

Room 301

Charles Hendricks Education building

## BECOMING A BELOVED COMMUNITY

This fall, on five consecutive Monday evenings, WCPC will offer "Unity in Diversity: Conversations about Racism" to our congregation and all visitors in our community. These sessions will provide an opportunity to:

- See how the Bible teaches us to embrace diversity & promote justice
- Look at some of the history of our denomination's dealing with this issue
- Discuss the historical and ongoing negative legacy of racism in this country
- Consider how our faith community can work towards reconciliation.

The sessions will include presentations and small- and large-group discussions. We will meet in CHEB 301 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. on Sept. 11, 18, and 25 and Oct. 2 and 9. Everyone is welcome to come learn, discuss, and share light refreshments. Childcare will be provided for the first session, and by reservation for the following ones. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Hathaway at 281-367-8792.



Interested in singing with the choir? Please join us!! Sanctuary Choir at 7:30 pm in the Choir Room beginning Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>! Jonathan Aigner, director. Email [jaigner@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:jaigner@wcpc-tx.org) for more info

**JUBILATE BELLS** - Jubilate Bells (adult advanced handbell choir) begin rehearsals on **Wednesday, August 23** in the sanctuary narthex from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. We will also rehearse on **August 30** at the same time and place. We will resume our regular schedule (6:30 to 7:30 pm) on Wednesday, September 6. Please join us as we laugh, ring, learn, ring, pray, ring. Questions? Contact Sherry Hunter at 281-367-0868 or at [sherryhunter@comcast.net](mailto:sherryhunter@comcast.net).



## Stephen Ministry Is Your Ministry...

**All Alone?** Don't be. God doesn't want us to be all alone. God wants us to turn to others when things are bothering us. Stephen Ministers will walk with you through your troubles and be there for you when you need them. Need prayer? We'll be there for you. Following worship, Stephen Ministers are available for those in need of prayer.



## WEDNESDAY STUDY GROUP BEGINS A NEW STUDY

Death, Dying, and the Afterlife: Lessons from World Cultures

Lecturer: Mark Berkson

A Great Courses Lecture Series

*While we're predisposed to look on death with fear and sadness, it's only by confronting and exploring death head-on that we can actually embrace the important role it plays in our lives. Death, it turns out, is a powerful teacher, one that can help us*

- think responsibly and deeply about the meaning and value of life;
- connect with the beliefs and traditions of cultures and faiths different from our own;
- gain the wisdom and guidance to live a richer, more fulfilling life while we have it.

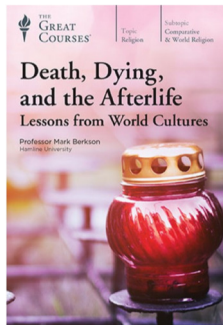
24 Sessions, beginning September 13

Hendricks Building Room 301

10:00 to 11:30am

Leadership is shared.

Everyone welcome!



### COLLECTING OLD MP3 PLAYERS

Please take this opportunity to help the youth and their adult leaders reawaken joyous memories through music for our neighbors with dementia! Questions? Please contact Nancy Hathaway, [nancy.hathaway@yahoo.com](mailto:nancy.hathaway@yahoo.com) or 281-367-8792. The Youth Team will be contributing to this program

by collecting used or new MP3 players, iPods, and over-the-ear headphones from the congregation. Please look for a small box with a sign on it in the courtyard on Sunday mornings through the month of August. If you want to drop off your items during the week, please give them to Shirley Barclay in the church office.

## MISSION OUTREACH

- **Montgomery County Food Bank Buddy Backpack Program**  
For the next two Sundays, you have the opportunity to sponsor a backpack for \$10. Through this program, food insecure children in our county are provided with food for the weekend. For more information, stop by the table in the courtyard or call Michele Stelter in the church office at 281-363-2040 x 7.
- **The Gathering Place - This Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1pm in Fellowship Hall.** The Gathering Place is a respite ministry for families affected by Alzheimer's disease or other mild dementia. Common Ground, a support group for caregivers, is held from 10:30 to noon in the parlor. Contact Kathy Bray 281-787-6314 or [kathyj.bray@gmail.com](mailto:kathyj.bray@gmail.com) to attend/volunteer.
- **Soles4Souls - Donate shoes on Barefoot Sunday (Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>) or any time during the month of August only.** The shoe collection bin will be in the courtyard on Sundays or in Fellowship Hall during the week. On Barefoot Sunday during the last hymn, you will have the opportunity to bring your shoes to the front of the sanctuary and deposit them in the collection boxes. **Monetary donations to cover shipping costs will be gladly accepted.** For more information contact Michele Stelter at [mstelter@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:mstelter@wcpc-tx.org) or 281-363-2040 x7.
- **Food Pantry - Special Needs for August:** rice, rice mixes, hamburger helpers. **Ongoing needs:** peanut butter, jam, dry milk, cleaning products (no spray bottles), laundry detergent, personal hygiene items, diapers and wipes. Bring donations to the pantry in the narthex anytime.

## On the CALENDAR for this week...

### Sunday, August 13

9:45 am CE Team Meeting, Rm 301 Hendricks Bldg.

11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

### Monday, August 14

9:30 am Monday Morning Bible Study, Rm 301 Hendricks Bldg.

11:30 am Yoga, Sanctuary Narthex

7:00 pm AA, Rm 306, Hendricks Building

### Tuesday, August 15

7:00 pm Session Meeting, Rm 301 Hendricks Bldg.

### Wednesday, August 16

10:00 am Wednesday Study Group, Rm 301 Hendricks Building

5:00pm Youth Jam Session, (Youth Room)

7:00 pm AA, Rm 306 Hendricks Building

### Thursday, August 17

6:30 pm Yoga, Sanctuary Narthex

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision, Rm 301

### Friday, August 18

9:30 am Yoga, Sanctuary Narthex

10:00 am Gathering Place, Fellowship Hall

Common Ground, Parlor

1:00 pm Holy Folders, Parlor

### Saturday, August 19

**\*Scheduled nursery care.** Contact Susan Duncan, 281.363.2040, Ext 6 or [sduncan@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:sduncan@wcpc-tx.org) to confirm time and RSVP for ages & # of children.

We have given all 116 dresses to Africa and Peru for this year. We need new dresses to sell at the Alternative Market on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pictures of the dresses will be sold at the market and the dresses will be donated to missions. If you are a sewer please pick up a pattern in the church office. For any questions contact Mary Lou Machle, 832-928-9022. Big thanks to all of you who have been a part of this program!!



### PARENT NIGHT OUT AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>

Join us for Community Helpers from 5-8 pm on Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> in the CHEB Nursery rooms 307-309. We will be serving pizza and a fruit or vegetable side for dinner. You may also bring a sack lunch for any non-pizza eaters. We will play games outside, make a summer craft and watch Disney's Planes, Fire & Rescue and The Incredibles!

**THE PRAYERS AND SQUARES**, quilting/knitting/crocheting/ dress sewers group will meet on Monday, August 21. Come join us for fellowship, learning, and sharing of ideas and projects as we supply quilts and shawls for caring and comfort for those in need. Meeting is from 2 till 5pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays each month. Contact: Nancy Kiefer.

Join us to practice 'Hatha Yoga' in the Sanctuary 'Narthex' on:

Monday: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Gentle and Restorative Meditation

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Gentle and Restorative Meditation

Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Energizing Yoga Sun Salutations

Rita Upadhyaya [TheWoodlandsLady@gmail.com](mailto:TheWoodlandsLady@gmail.com) (713) 377-8521

**WCPC NOW HOSTS WEEKLY AA MEETINGS.** Each Monday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm in RE 306 in the Hendricks Building a local AA group is meeting. If you know of anyone who would like to attend please share this information.

Treasurer's Report Thru JULY 2017			Worship Attendance	
	JULY	Yr to Date		
Receipts	\$76,577	\$ 586,665	August 6, 2017	190
Expenses	\$(91,670)	\$(604,682)	August 5, 2016	169
Over/(Under)	\$(15,093)	\$ (18,017)		

### The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church Prayer List "Be merciful to me, and hear my prayer." Psalm 4:1c

The WCPC Prayer List may be found at the Welcome table. Prayer requests may be added or removed by contacting the church office, Rev. Laura Grice (281.363.2040, Ext 2 or [lgrice@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:lgrice@wcpc-tx.org)) or Kim Petrie at [petrie\\_kim@msn.com](mailto:petrie_kim@msn.com).